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## **H.Res. 179 - Expressing support for a National Foster Parents Day**

### **Floor Situation**

H.Res. 179 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Nancy Boyda (D-KS) on February 16, 2007. The bill was ordered to be reported from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, by voice vote, on March 29, 2007.

H.Res. 179 is expected to be considered on the floor on April 16, 2007.

### **Summary**

H.Res. 179 resolves that it is the sense of the House of Representatives that:

- A National Foster Parents Day should be established to recognize the contributions of foster parents across the Nation; and,
- The President should issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States and interested groups to conduct appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs to demonstrate support for foster parents across the Nation.

### **Background**

Over 500,000 youth are in foster care with at least 380,000 in a family-home setting. Foster families and parents, who open their homes and hearts to children, play a vital role in helping children launch into a successful adulthood.

### **Cost**

This bill has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

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